



ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION

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**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010, 4 P.M.

**208 East Main Street
Los Gatos Adult Recreation Center
Los Gatos, California**

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Wilcox, Vice Chair Charnaw, Commissioners Bradbury, Havelka, Knowles, Stonesifer

Members Absent: Commissioners Curtis and O'Neill

Also Present: Crystal Birns, City Arts Program Manager City of Santa Cruz; Wendie Roonie, Community Development Director; Joel Paulson, Associate Planner – Community Development; Regina Falkner, Community Services Director

2. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 10, 2010 MINUTES

The minutes be approved as submitted.

3. BEST PRACTICES DISCUSSION

3.1 City of Santa Cruz Arts Program

Crystal Birns, City Arts program Manager with the City of Santa Cruz provided an overview of the City's Arts Program including: Arts Master Plan, Public Art programs, partnerships, Sister Cities projects, award program. At Chair Wilcox's request, Ms. Birns provided the following suggestions for the commission: start with small projects that include one or more partners, stay connected with other arts organizations, look at best practices before embarking on new projects or update existing projects.

3.2 Commissioner Presentation of Information from Other Cities

Information provided by Commissioners, noted and filed.

4. **GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

Wendie Rooney, Community Development Department Director, and Joel Paulson, Associate Planner, provided an overview of the General Plan Update process and highlighted arts related elements. A committee was appointed to develop comment and feedback to the material provided. Jonathan Knowles was appointed as Committee Chair; other members included Commission Havelka and Commission Chair Wilcox.

5. **NETWORKING THE ARTS: Tabled**

6. **OTHER BUSINESS**

6.1 Art in the Council Chambers (Bradbury) – Status Report

Commission Bradbury reported the reception for the Senior Watercolor class was well attended. The next show will be installed on May 6th.

6.2 Public Art Committee (Staff)

Consider Recommendation Regarding Public Art

The Commission noted that an offer of a sculpture was considered by the Public Art Committee and potential site was selected. The artist withdrew the offer and may consider donating an art piece for installation in the new library once the facility has been completed. The Committee will submit a report to the Commission in May regarding potential art sites.

6.3 Poet Laureate Committee (Bradbury) - Status Report

Commissioner Bradbury reported the Committee was in the process of interviewing applicants for the Poet Laureate position.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Verbal (Three minute time limit per speaker for subjects not agendized)

None

Written

None

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m. to the Special Meeting (Retreat) scheduled for April 15th at 3:30 p.m.